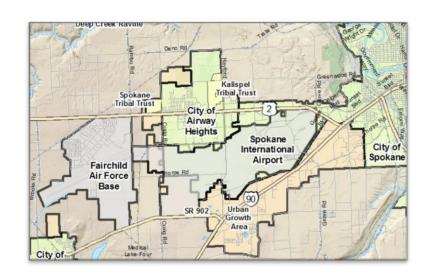
# Airway Heights Reclaimed Water Experience

City of Airway Heights Kevin Anderson, Public Works Director



### **CITY OF AIRWAY HEIGHTS**

- Located west of Spokane between Fairchild Air Force Base and Spokane International Airport on an area known as "West Plains"
- Population approx. 10,000
- One of the fastest growing cities in the greater Spokane region
  - Two growing Tribal casino developments
  - FAFB expanding mission and adding personnel

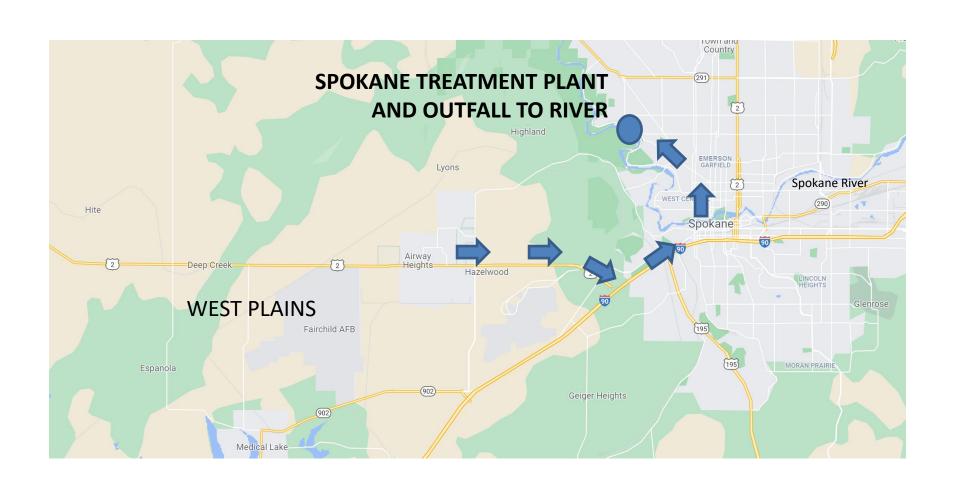




# HISTORICAL WATER CHALLENGES ON THE WEST PLAINS

- Declining Aquifer Levels ("Mining" of Aquifers)
- Multiple Jurisdictions Withdrawing Water
- Numerous Exempt Wells Impacted
- Increasing Demand for Water From Regional Growth
- No New Water Rights Being Issued on West Plains
- Water Leaving Basin Through Wastewater Discharge to River

# WASTEWATER TREATMENT PRIOR TO 2012 CONTRIBUTES TO DECLINE OF AQUIFER



## **NEW WATER RECLAMATION PLANT - 2012**

- > \$43M state-of-the-art Water Reclamation Facility
- Approximately 1 MGD Class A Reclaimed Water
- Final treatment processes include microfiltration, UV and chlorine disinfection
- Reclaimed water provided to customers reduces peak summer potable water demands
- Water not used by customers discharges to paleochannel formation
- New potable water source (Recovery Well) located within same geological formation to maximize available water
- Keeps water in West Plains

### **WRP SITE LAYOUT**

Headworks
Building
w/Biofilter

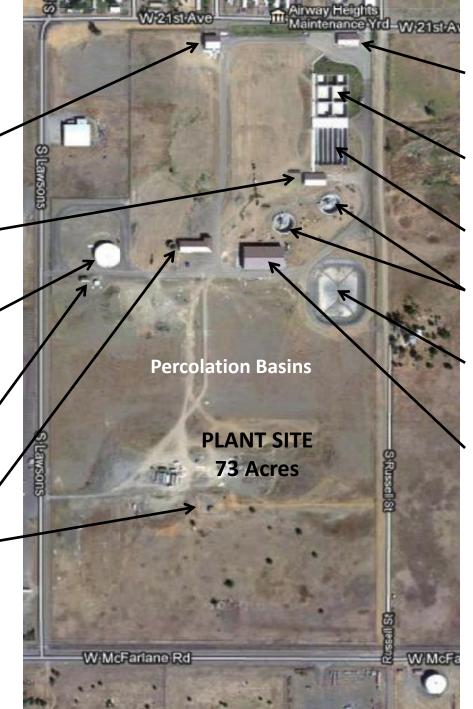
RAS/WAS Pump Building

Reclaimed Water Tank (1.0 MG)

Reclaimed Water Pump Station (Three (3) pumps at 545 GPM Each)

**Dewatering Building** 

Supply Wells 1 & 4



Laboratory/
Operations
Building

Anaerobic & Anoxic Basins

Aeration Basins

Clarifiers

Short-Term Storage Lagoon (2.0 MG)

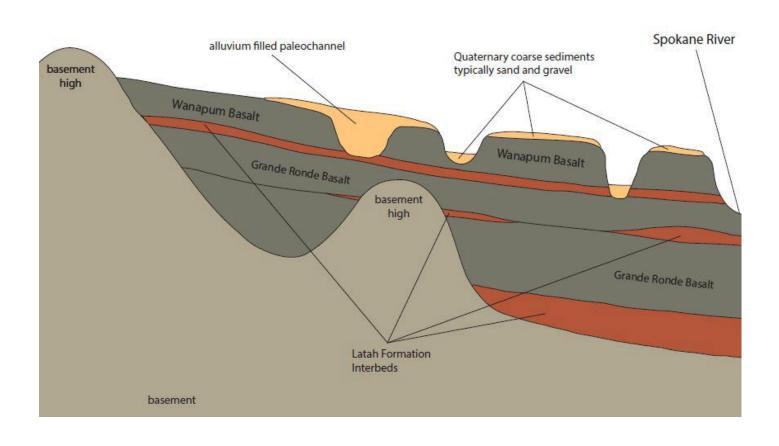
Final Treatment Building

## **COSTS AND FUNDING**

#### **Capital Costs in Millions:**

- Design \$2.07 million total
  - \$1.0 M PWTF
  - \$1.074 M SRF Loan
- Construction -\$40.86 million total
  - \$7.0 M Public Works Trust Fund (PWTF)
  - \$2.92 M Centennial Clean Water Fund Grant
  - \$0.17 M State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan
  - \$3.35 M Rural Development
  - \$22.97 M ARRA Forgivable Principle and Loans
  - \$1.0 M Legislative Appropriation
  - \$1.87 M City Capital Fund
  - \$1.58 M Tribal
- > \$28.47 M (66% of total cost) in Non-Loan Funding
- > \$14.46 M (34% of total cost) In Borrowed Money

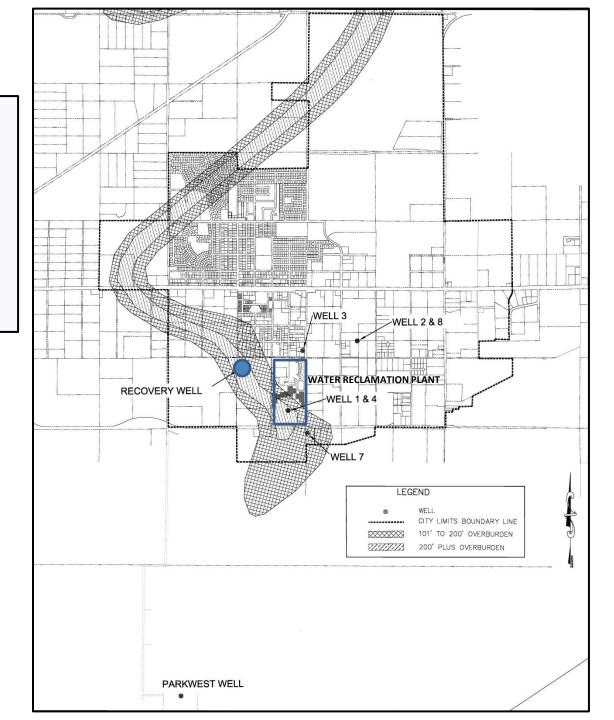
# WEST PLAINS HYDROGEOLOGY – IDEALIZED WEST-EAST CROSS SECTION

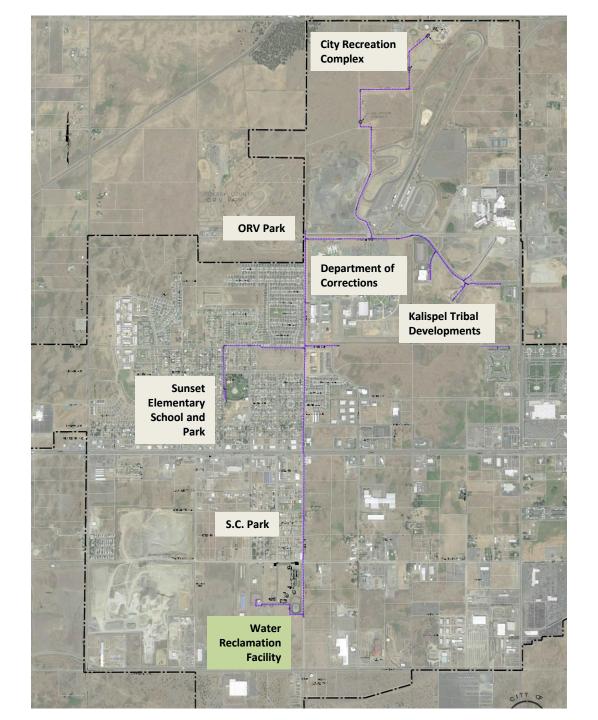


# CITY OF AIRWAY HEIGHTS

# Paleochannel & Well Map

- Reclamation Plant percolation beds provide for discharge into paleochannel
- New Recovery Well located in same geologic formation





#### **Re-use Customers**

Approx. 5 miles of Purple Pipe Transmission Main

#### **Industrial**

 Department of Corrections – Laundry and Boiler

#### <u>Irrigation</u>

- Dept. of Corrections
- Kalispel Tribal
- Sunset Elementary
- Parks (several)

#### **Construction Water**

 Two fill stations – dust control, general construction activities

## WHAT'S NEXT

- Develop Hydro-Geologic Model and Aquifer Storage and Recovery Application to Support "Recovery Water"
- Promote re-use to existing and future customers
  - Kalispel Tribe
  - Spokane Tribe
  - Multiple industrial customers (Spokane Rock Products, Spokane Galvanizing Co., Inland Asphalt, etc.)

# OVERALL POTABLE WATER USE COMPARISON

Comparison of water consumption (GPD/ERU) on an Average Day and a Peak Day, based on most recent Water System Plan data:

Average Day Demand

Spokane 359 gallons/day

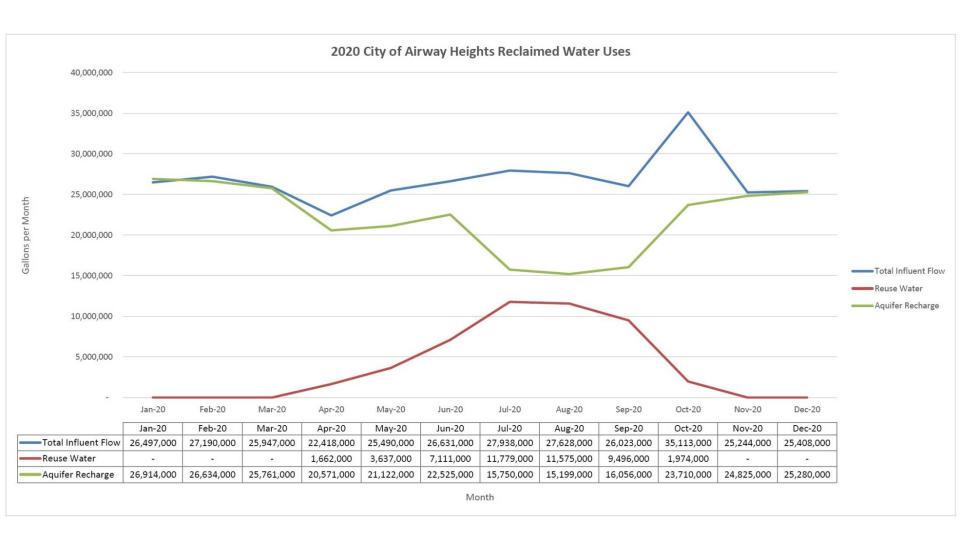
Airway Heights 311

Peak Day Demand

Spokane 1,126 gallons/day

Airway Heights 904

### **2020 RECLAIMED WATER**



### **2021 RECLAIMED WATER**

